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REGULAR SESSION OF COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

County Officials Make Monthly Reports--- Supervisor Casey Wants Authority to Repair Automobile Boulevard

The first business transacted by the Board of Supervisors at Redwood City last Monday after the minutes of previous meetings were read and approved was adopting the monthly reports of various county officials as follows:—

County Clerk Nash collected as fees during April, \$203.80; law library fund tax, \$35.00. Total, \$238.80.

County Recorder Johnston collected as fees during April, \$954.95.

County Assessor Hayward collected during April, State poll tax, \$1328.00; personal property, \$996.35. Total, \$2324.35. Commission, \$258.95. Paid to treasurer, \$2065.40.

Sheriff Chatham collected during April, fees, \$12.50. Due Sheriff's office for boarding prisoners and mileage, \$254.00.

Tax Collector McCracken reported as follows—State and county taxes during April, \$117,896.52; Redwood City, \$6940.22; Redwood City annex, \$4070.51. Total, \$128,907.25.

License Collector McCracken reported receipts as follows—Nine Class A liquor licenses, \$1080.00; one Class B liquor license, \$75.00; eight special liquor licenses, \$24.00; one merchant license, \$533; one miscellaneous license, \$12.00. Total, \$1196.33. Commission on same, \$119.63.

Health Officer Beattie reported as follows—

"I herein submit my report as Health Officer of San Mateo County for the month ending April 30, 1909, beginning April 8th—Burial permits issued, 441. Cash for above, \$441, which has been placed in hands of treasurer of San Mateo County, and received therefor."

Treasurer Chamberlain reported as follows—Balance on hand, as per last report, \$260,661.86; receipts during April, \$14,312.82. Total, \$274,974.68. Disbursed, as per warrants during April, \$32,162.82. Balance on hand April 30th, \$242,811.82.

Auditor Underhill presented a statement of average allowance that can be made against the several funds for April—General, \$5265.00; indigent, \$1212.85; first road district, \$7012.50; second, \$1466.00; third, \$3101.30; fourth, \$109.49; fifth, \$228.15; first road district, special, \$4707.44; second, \$6247.06; third, \$2430.00; fourth, \$617.85; fifth, \$165.30; courthouse, \$79,137.87.

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Wise counsel and preaching we've all heard before,
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The value of three little words, 'Do It Now.'"

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS TOLD IN BRIEF

Residents of South San Francisco are asked to furnish this office with any news items that they know of from time to time. There is a letter box attached to our front door, in which written items can be placed. Please write on one side of paper and sign your name to it. THE ENTERPRISE desires to print all the local happenings, and the people of South San Francisco can be of material help.

J. E. Sullivan left yesterday for a trip to Visalia.

The slate roof is being placed on the new depot building at the foot of Grand Avenue.

H. Gaerdes is having extensive repairs made to his building on Grand Avenue.

The Drs. Plymire have purchased a new and splendidly equipped Tourist automobile.

Don't forget to attend the ball of the Independent Voters' and Citizens Club to-night at Metropolitan Hall.

The new buildings for the Doak Sheet Metal Works are being rapidly constructed. Almost all the frame work is in place.

A. Baradat, the active grocer of San Bruno, has made arrangements to deliver mail orders for groceries in this city.

George Mahoney who was seriously injured at the Jupiter Steel Works last Wednesday, is getting along nicely, but still confined to his room.

The New Home Bakery, D. Curran proprietor, is building up a splendid business in this city. Orders for bread and pastry will be delivered by Lind's wagons.

Captain and Mrs. Wm. Cooley have removed from this city to take up their residence in Palo Alto in future. Their many friends regret very much their departure.

J. O. Snyder and wife and daughter Ruth will start for an Eastern trip next Saturday. They will be gone six weeks or more, and visit New York and the New England States.

The South San Francisco whist club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Perham, of Baden Station, on Thursday evening. The members of the club dispersed to their homes at a late hour.

Last evening an entertainment and social was given by the Epworth League in St. Paul's Chapel. The program consisted of vocal numbers and readings. A part of the program greatly enjoyed was a tableau given by five selected from the audience, entitled "New Artists". Refreshment were served. The committee desires to thank Miss Lillie Muller, Mr. and Mrs. Young, Master Herbert Woodman and others who assisted in the program.

H. G. Tracie, who has been in charge of the planing mill of the South San Francisco Lumber and Supply Co. for nearly two years, is enjoying the surrounding territory these days in a two-cylinder runabout designed and built by himself during odd hours the past seven months. He made his own radiator, tanks and all necessary connections, and is much elated at the successful completion of a piece of complicated mechanism.

A few days ago, Jack, a son of W. J. Martin of this city, missed a tame quail from his home. While endeavoring to catch it, it escaped to the grammar school yard on Grand Avenue. Remembering that the quail had been in the habit of eating with a bantam chicken he had he proceeded to the school yard where he sprinkled some grain on the ground. The bantam proceeded to eat the feed and was soon joined by the quail. Jack then chased the chicken home, the quail following, which was soon again placed in captivity.

Just received, a splendid assortment of fancy dress gingham, at Schneider's.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Property Owners Petition for Sewers in Magnolia Avenue---City Officials Make Monthly Reports

All the members were present at last Monday night's meeting of the City Board of Trustees.

A petition was received from property owners asking that a sewer in Magnolia avenue near Railroad avenue be extended about 250 feet into the marsh south of the Southern Pacific railroad running along Railroad avenue. Upon motion of Trustee McSweeney, seconded by Trustee Edwards, the matter was referred to the street committee with instructions to investigate the necessity and cost of installing the additional sewer and report at next meeting.

Communications from the University of California and the Board of Public Works of San Francisco in reference to recommending a sanitary engineer to survey for and prepare a new sewer system for this city, was received and upon motion placed on file.

A communication was received from Recorder A. McSweeney suggesting sign posts be placed at five different places in the city warning automobile drivers not to exceed a 10-mile-an-hour speed limit while going through here.

Street Superintendent Kneese was instructed to have some holes in the Butler road near the Doak Sheet Metal Works filled up with rock.

Claims against the city amounting

to \$682.25 were presented and referred to the finance committee.

City Marshal Kneese presented his monthly financial report as follows:

Receipts from twenty-three Class A liquor licenses, \$690.00; one Class B liquor license, \$18.75; five Class C liquor licenses, \$62.50; one special liquor permit \$2.50; one dog license, \$2.00; merchants licenses, \$392.75; Recorder's fines, \$83.00. Total \$1251.50.

City Treasurer Kauffmann reported as follows: Cash on hand April 5, 1909, \$637.75; deposits during month, \$1251.50. Total, \$1889.25. Disbursements, \$492.50. Balance on hand May 1, 1909, \$1396.75.

Recorder McSweeney's fees amounted to \$13.00 for the month of April.

An ordinance establishing a rate to be paid by water takers of 25 cents per thousand gallons, with a minimum charge of \$1 per month, was amended upon motion of Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee McSweeney so as to require the water company to place meter readings on all bills made out by it. Under the rules, the amended ordinance went over to next meeting.

President Hynding was authorized to purchase fifty double vehicle license tags.

Superintendent of Streets Kneese was instructed to tear down a fence crossing Chestnut Avenue, near the pump-house.

The meeting then adjourned.

THE PENINSULA LEAGUE MEETING

The regular quarterly meeting of the Peninsula Promotion League will be held at Redwood City next Wednesday, May 12th, at 6 p. m.

Several matters of great importance will be taken up. The bay shore boulevard question will be thoroughly discussed by the delegates, as well as by representatives from several commercial organizations of San Francisco, who have been invited to be present.

At the close of the meeting, the delegates will partake of a banquet to be given under the auspices of the Redwood City Board of Trade.

Arrangements have also been made by the Board of Trade to provide sleeping accommodations for those who will be compelled to remain at Redwood over night.

The members of the League from this city are—W. J. Martin, who is President of the League, F. A. Cunningham, E. W. Langenbach and E. I. Woodman.

MASS MEETING OF LOCAL CITIZENS

A second mass meeting of the citizens of South San Francisco was held at the City Trustees Hall last Wednesday evening.

H. E. Styles reported for the committee appointed at a previous meeting to investigate the ways and means of annexing some water front territory to the incorporated limits of this city. He stated that it was the opinion that the territory cannot be annexed at present.

Citizen Jacobs stated that in his opinion the law was contradictory on the subject.

Upon motion of E. E. Cunningham,

seconded by D. McSweeney, Attorney H. E. Styles was requested to draw up a petition to ascertain the sentiment of the people of this city in regard to employing a sanitary engineer.

Upon motion of A. Jacobs, seconded by F. A. Cunningham, the South San Francisco Improvement Club was requested to recommend that the Supervisors of San Mateo County use every effort to promote the building of a great boulevard joining San Mateo and San Francisco counties.

Upon motion of A. Jacobs, seconded by D. McSweeney, it was decided to hold the next meeting next Monday evening, after the adjournment of the City Board of Trustees, at the same place, for the purpose of reorganizing the South San Francisco Improvement Club.

My wife, having left my bed and board, from this date I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her.
HERMAN C. MEYER
San Bruno, April 22, 1909. *

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7:23 A. M.
7:43 A. M.
(Except Sunday)
8:03 A. M.
8:43 A. M.
(Except Sunday)
9:23 A. M.
10:08 A. M.
12:53 P. M.
3:01 P. M.
(Except Sunday)
5:23 P. M.
7:03 P. M.
7:13 P. M.

SOUTHBOUND TRAINS LEAVE

6:57 A. M.
8:37 A. M.
10:57 A. M.
11:57 A. M.
2:18 P. M.
3:37 P. M.
4:37 P. M.
5:57 P. M.
6:47 P. M.
12:02 P. M.
(Theatre Train)

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10:15 A. M.
(Sunday only)
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(Sunday only)
12:40 P. M.
(Except Sunday)
4:20 p. m.
6:20 p. m.
7:19 p. m.
(except Sunday)

From San Francisco via Bay Shore Cutoff and to San Francisco via Valencia Street.

5:50 a. m.
(except Sunday)
9:50 A. M.
(Sunday only)
10:20 A. M.
(Except Sunday)
11:35 A. M.
(Sunday only)
2:30 P. M.
5:25 p. m.
(except Sunday)
6:25 p. m.

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* NORTHBOUND DISPATCH.

8:03 A. M.
12:13 P. M.
3:43 P. M.
7:13 P. M.

† SOUTHBOUND DISPATCH.

6:57 A. M.
11:57 A. M.
3:17 P. M.

* Mails from south arrive.

† Mails from north arrive.

E. E. CUNNINGHAM, P. M.

CITY OFFICIALS

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Recorder.....A. McSweeney
Marshal.....H. W. Kneese
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Tax Collector.....C. L. McCracken
District Attorney.....J. J. Bullock
Assessor.....C. D. Hayward
County Clerk.....Joseph H. Nash
County Recorder.....John F. Johnston
Sheriff.....Robert Chatham
Auditor.....Henry Underhill
Superintendent of Schools.....Roy Cloud
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Surveyor.....James B. Neuman
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Officials—First Township

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Justice of the Peace.....A. McSweeney
Constable.....Bob Carroll
Postmaster.....E. E. Cunningham

What She Saw

By ADELIA DURAN.

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Winona glanced out of the window at the crystal avenue and watched the April dusk descend. The streets began to fill with the usual Saturday night traffic, and the whiz and clatter of flying carriages and motor cars mingled with the strident ringing of car bells and the shouts of importunate cabmen.

Abruptly a big black automobile like a giant tarantula slid up to the curbing in front of the hotel opposite and stopped. A man jumped out and extended his hand to the young woman who had risen to follow. There was something instantly familiar about the straight, square shoulders under the cape of the long black coat and the way his gray alpine was drawn down over his eyes.

Winona caught her breath and involuntarily stood up. Yes! It was



ORDERED HER TO TAKE THEM DIRECTLY TO THE POSTOFFICE.

Richard Grayson, and he had not even glanced in her direction.

The lights of the street were bright enough for her to see that his companion was a wondrously pretty woman, that they were laughing and talking merrily, apparently oblivious to surroundings, and that she took his arm with a plainly affectionate gesture as they went into the hotel together.

For some minutes afterward Winona stood motionless, a pain at her heart which she dared not define even to herself. There was the brilliant flash of light in the apartment directly opposite. With a little gasp of astonishment she saw young Grayson stoop laughingly and kiss the girl. An older man was standing at a little distance, and she recognized him instantly as Dick's father. He, too, laughed and came up, saluting the girl fondly on either cheek.

It was the bride, she knew, for that was the bridal suit. She had been there herself once to call upon a girl friend who had married and was in Washington on her wedding journey.

With her face on fire Winona turned away and went to her desk in a corner of the room. She took up two letters. The first read:

Dear Nona—May I come tomorrow evening for a few moments? I have something important that I want to tell you. Say, yes, will you not? Sincerely,
DICK.

This, then, was what he had meant to tell her of—his marriage. Her brief dream of happiness collapsed like a house of cards. She choked back a sudden rise of inward bitterness and unfolded the other letter. It ran:

Dearest Winnie—Do run down to Palm Beach and stay with us in our dear little bungalow. Jack has invited a friend, somebody from somewhere, and I am depending upon you, dear girl, to help me out. Let me know by return mail. Best wishes,
CLAUDIA.

Without hesitation Winona sat down and took up her pen, jabbing it viciously into the ink.

My Dear Richard—Sorry, but it will not be possible for me to receive you tomorrow evening, as I am leaving town for some time. Yours in haste,
WINONA PAULDING.

She sealed and directed this and rang for her maid. Then she dashed a hasty acceptance of Claudia Spence's invitation and sat staring through the window at the black vacuum of night.

When the maid came in she thrust the two letters into her hand and ordered her to take them directly to the postoffice. She crossed the room to a

cheval glass. The face that looked back at her was youthful and delicately lovely.

She was blond and patrician, with just enough pink in her cheeks to redeem her face from pallor. Her hair was pale gold, but shining. That other girl was pretty, too, but in a rich, dark fashion that belonged to the south.

Dick's mother was from Dixie, and she recalled, with a pang, that he was a worshiper of southern women. A little sob shook her. She turned away, covering her face with her hands. Hot tears sprang through her quivering lashes, but she dashed them away in self contempt and went into the next room to pack her trunk.

She reached Palm Beach eighteen hours later. Her courage had ral-

led amazingly under the stimulating change of scene, and she felt almost happy again as they drove home through borders of sun kissed palm and palmetto.

An hour afterward Winona emerged on the funny, squat little piazza of the bungalow, radiant in a gauzy gown of pink liberty chiffon. Mrs. Spence caught her by the hand and drew her up to the small coterie already assembled and waiting for her.

"Mr. Grayson, Miss Paulding," she said conventionally.

Winona started, flushed, paled and poised herself admirably. She held out her hand. Dick had risen and was pressing her fingers with elaborate cordiality, but his own were cold with excitement and he subdued his voice to hide its unsteadiness.

The group fell into conversation. Then, two by two, they drifted away, leaving them together, alone. The moon had come up, flooding everything with its magic white light till it was as clear as day.

Young Grayson looked at Winona, and she met his glance with an indignant flash of her eyes.

"What made you run away from me, Nona?" he asked gravely.

"You! Why, I was not even dreaming of you," she retorted, with pink cheeks.

"Evidently. That is why I asked you the question."

"You have forfeited all right to ask me questions of any sort," she flung back unguardedly and bit her lips when it was too late.

"Winona! What do you mean by that?" His eyes held hers dominantly, and she found her lips framing the words despite herself.

"That other woman—that—that—your wife!" She blurted it out in sheer desperation at last.

"Ah!" And, considering the gravity of the situation, her companion did a most remarkable thing—he laughed uproariously. When his mirth had somewhat subsided he bent over and caught her little hands in his big ones and held them. His words fell rapidly.

"The dear old governor took it into his head to marry a second time when down in Richmond last month. An urgent telegram called him back to Washington on business, and he was forced to leave her behind. As luck would have it, the very day he was scheduled to arrive he was taken with the grip. I had to go to the train to meet the lady, while he remained in the apartment to receive her."

He paused a moment for breath. Then he went on: "I found your note in my box about 10 o'clock. It hurt me, and it made me angry too. I put down everything and took the first train south in response to a pressing invitation from Jack."

A swift little sob of relief escaped Winona's lips. She looked up with luminous eyes. The color surged into her face.

"But—but we were never more than friends. There was nothing—I—you—there never was anything between us." She finished with a flash of the old coquetry. Her lips were still parted—scarlet, humid, tremulous. Young Grayson made no effort to resist temptation.

"But there was going to be—there is, and there always will be?" A step sounded on the gravel walk. "Answer me—quick!"

There was.

April's Wizardry.

I woke at dawn and heard the rain
And faroff snarls of thunder.
I closed my eyes that sleep again
Might draw my senses under,
And soon in popped warmth enfurled
I lost in sweet forgetting
The clamors of the stirring world,
Its labors and its fretting.
As from the bud
The chill checked flood
Of sap goes backward creeping,
So falls this sense
Of indolence
When April skies are weeping.

I woke in sunlight and arose.
The joyful birds were chanting.
A young girl in the neighboring close
Was busy at her planting.
I knew, as something erst unknown,
The blessed charm of labor.
I loved—ah, not myself alone!—
I yearned to love my neighbor.
As from the trees
The sun and breeze
Their young leaves are beguiling,
So from the heart
Doth new life start
When April skies are smiling.

—T. A. Daly in Catholic Standard and Times.

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With the completion of the Dumbarton Bridge and Cutoff, now rapidly being constructed, South San Francisco will have all railroads which center in San Francisco passing through its midst.

Many industries are already established here, chief of which are the Western Meat Company, the Wool Pullery, the Soap Works, the Baden Brick Company, Pacific Jupiter Steel Company, the Steiger Pottery Works, the W. P. Fuller White Lead Works, the South San Francisco Lumber and Supply Company, and other enterprises, all of which are in full operation to-day. The American Smelting and Refining Company has purchased over 300 acres of land in South San Francisco for the purpose of erecting a great plant, which they estimate will cost upwards of \$5,000,000. The Doak Sheet Steel Company has purchased a large tract of land and has already commenced the construction of a large rolling mill. Other factories have recently made purchases, and South San Francisco is plainly destined to fulfill all that its promoters had hoped.

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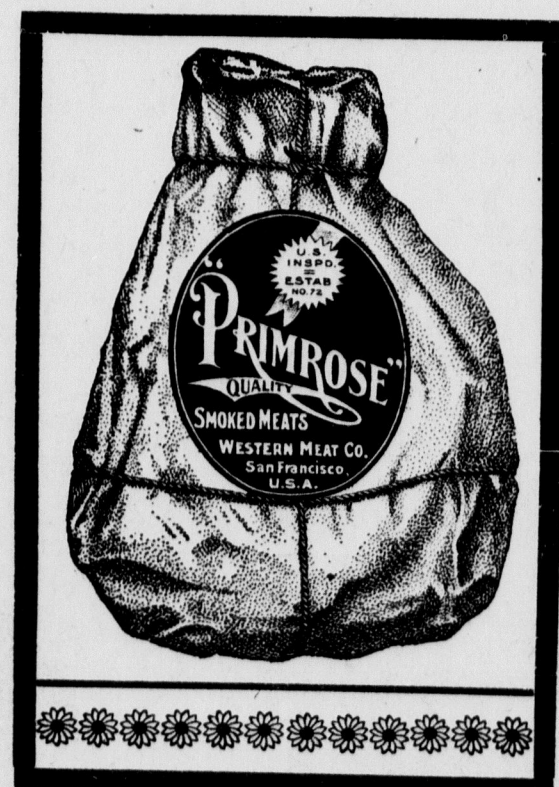
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SATURDAY.....MAY 8, 1909

THE old rock-ribbed Democratic party is nearing dissolution. At the present session of congress, twenty-three Democratic representatives voted with a majority of Republicans on the rules for the Government of the House.

At this same session of congress, thirty-eight Democratic representatives voted for a tax on lumber, although the Democratic National platform declares for free lumber.

At this same session of congress, twenty-nine Democratic representatives voted to put a duty of ten percent on hides, after the Republican majority had put hides on the free list.

And yet, Democratic editors, like our neighbor Swift of the Redwood City Democrat, go off in tirades against the tariff, the trusts and the Republican party. Go to! Go to! Brother Swift.

THE meeting of the Peninsula Promotion League at Redwood City next Wednesday promises to be of especial interest to the people of San Mateo County.

The proposition for building a big boulevard along the bay shore from San Francisco to Sunnyvale will be a leading topic in the discussions at this meeting.

The League deals only with live questions, and there is no subject of more vital importance to San Francisco and this Peninsula than that of the proposed boulevard. We have no doubt this strong active association will deal with this question in a broad practical way. We are also confident that this vital enterprise will have the unanimous approval and hearty support of the League.

The Peninsula Promotion League has done some good work for the Peninsula towns. It has obtained a lower passenger rate on the Bay Shore line, and has thrown the lime-light upon the Peninsula district, bringing out in strong relief its advantages as well as its necessities, for all the world to see and understand.

The League represents all the Peninsula towns. It is doing a splendid work and should have, as we believe it will have, the united and unfaltering support of the Peninsula country from San Francisco to Sunnyvale.

LOCAL journalism may be short on instruction, but can usually be depended on for amusement.

The above owl-like utterance is instigated and largely inspired by the leading editorial in this week's Redwood City Democrat.

Before beginning to set down a few good natured words regarding this fresh and funny incident in San Mateo County journalism, we have to confess a very sincere respect and regard for the editor

of the Democrat.

We read his recent article touching the early history of the Times-Gazette and newspaper happenings in this county, and were ourselves touched by the story. No one could have improved upon that tale.

In tackling the tariff, brother Swift is not so happy. It seems that editor Swift has been asked to use his influence editorially and by personal appeal to have the proposed tariff on gloves and stockings knocked out. Editor Swift declines to use his pull or in any way to interfere, taking the high and lofty ground, that when the people elected a Republican congressman they voted to perpetuate the so-called protective tariff, and if the people want the tariff why should a Democratic editor object. On this general ground, we can understand brother Swift, and agree that his conclusion is not out of the way. But on the glove and stocking special issue, we do not like to think that our Democratic brother really means what he says.

To make the matter clear, we quote from the Democrat editorial in question: "Those who are agitating the removal of the tax from stockings and gloves are mainly the wives and daughters of wealthy tariff sympathizers and not the common people—those whom this paper represents." We submit, this is really funny.

Does the editor of the Democrat really mean to say that the wives and daughters the Democrat represents do not wear gloves or stockings?

Of course, gloves may possibly be considered a luxury to be worn by the rich only, but, in actual daily practice, the poor working woman or wife of the poor working man will invariably be found wearing gloves.

But as to stockings, does Brother Swift really intend to say that the wives and daughters of those whom the Democrat represents go stockingless? Are these wives and daughters of Redwood City and elsewhere part and parcel of a barefoot Democracy?

In the olden time of political asperity, it was common to hear Republicans generally, regardless of culture or character, labeled and libeled as "Black" Republicans.

In that ancient discredited time, it was usual to hear Democrats referred to as the "unterrified"; and in extreme cases as the "great unwashed". The latter term is odious and nasty. It has fallen into "innocuous desuetude."

But here comes a latter day Democratic editor and brands the wives and daughters of his party as "stockingless and barefoot."

In all our political history we have had but one "sockless" representative of a political party, and he was a mere man, and not a Democrat. "Sockless Simpson" was only a Populist, and a Kansas Populist at that.

"Sockless Simpson" is a far cry from the fair wives and daughters who read the Democrat, and we leave the "amende honorable" to our contemporary.

"LIVE ON THE TOP FLOOR"

Sermon Topic at St. Pauls To-morrow Night

The subject of sermon by Rev E. D. Kizer for to-morrow evening at St Pauls M. E. Church is, "Live on the Top Floor." All are invited.

The Merchant Who Is Wondrous Wise



There is a Merchant in this Town,
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 To whom this Hint applies.
 If they're discerning they'll soon be
 learning
 IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE.

SAN BRUNO ITEMS

The infant son of Edward Follett, Fourth Addition, is critically ill with pneumonia and complications. Dr. Plymire has been called in.

The Alpha Whist Club is to hold its regular fortnightly meeting at the residence of Mrs. G. V. C. Bacon next Friday evening.

The destruction recently of several houses by fire has caused the residents to agitate the formation of a volunteer fire department and, as a result, there are now two companies organized. Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 gave a dance in the Town Hall last Saturday evening to raise funds to apply on the payment of a chemical engine, which was most liberally attended by not only the residents of San Bruno but by many visitors from South San Francisco, San Mateo, Redwood City and elsewhere. The dance was opened by J. B. Seivers, an old fire-fighter and elected chief of the company, and was followed by remarks from Judge McSweeney and E. I. Woodman, of South San Francisco and Captain A. L. Lowe of the Redwood City Fire Department. Dancing was continued until an early hour. A very substantial sum was netted. The second Volunteer Fire Company has its fire house very nearly completed, and it reflects great credit upon its builders, being neatly painted, substantially built and occupying a prominent position on San Mateo Avenue. All labor and material were donated by various individuals who deserve the thanks of the town. A dedication of the house, with addresses by many prominent public speakers, among which it is expected will be Governor Gillett, followed by an old-fashioned barbecue, Spanish style, is to take place tomorrow (Sunday) to which the public is invited.

What came very nearly being another disastrous fire was only averted by the prompt action and good judgment of Fire Chief Seivers on Wednesday afternoon. The house of Prosper Lou caught fire, presumably from an unextinguished cigarette, in one of the chambers, and the fire had gotten under considerable headway when checked. The damage will probably be about \$250, fully insured.

A number of new residences and stores are in course of erection, among them being several in the Third Addition. The new store and apartments being erected by Mr. Peterson, now nearly completed, will be one of the most commodious and pretentious in San Bruno and speaks strongly of the progress being made in the town.

With the absolute need of a railroad station before next winter's rains, becoming more apparent each day, the various organizations in San Bruno, having become convinced of the futility of working independently, are now planning to combine their forces in this movement and to make a concerted effort toward securing such a depot as the town deserves.

The prizes to be awarded at the masquerade ball given in the Town Hall this evening have been on exhibition in one of the show windows of Debenedetti Bros.' store, where they have attracted much favorable comment, owing to their attractiveness and value. They are proving a strong incentive toward more elaborate costumes.

The Homestead announces than an open meeting to which all are invited, will be held next Tuesday evening, the 11th, commencing at 9 o'clock, with refreshments gratis. Good music and dancing.

The conditions in general in San Bruno are most promising. As already stated, building is progressing on all sides, the number of short-sighted individuals who have been decrying the prospects and the values of their own investments is rapidly lessening, as the town has no use and offers no encouragement for such, and a more substantial element is becoming more apparent daily.

The new stop on the Southern Pacific at Lomita Park is being patronized by more commuters each month as its accessibility becomes known. About twenty-five commuters are now buying their tickets for that station.

NORTH END NOTES

(Record, Thursday, May 6)

Mrs. Samuel Cerf, of Vista Grande, presented her husband with a bouncing 11-pound boy yesterday.

Mrs. Phillip Deller, of Colma, entertained a number of friends with one of her excellent dinners Sunday, following a very pleasant afternoon party consisting of social games of cards, music, etc.

District Attorney J. J. Bullock was a visitor in Colma, Tuesday, and paid respects to the Record sanctum tendering congratulations, and then emphasized his good will by paying his subscription for five years in advance.

James Griffen and family have moved to San Mateo.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. D. Murray, of the nine-mile house, will regret to learn of the death of their little son, James M., aged 9 years.

The new waiting room at the entrance to Mt. Olivet Cemetery is nearing completion.

Mrs. Alice Smith was the hostess who entertained the Knickerbocker Whist Club at Colma last evening. The next meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. Romeo Schenone, on the evening of May 19th.

Bob Silicani, of Colma, was appointed a deputy constable on Monday, and on Tuesday he disarmed a drunken man who had pulled a gun with the statement that he was going to "shoot somebody up."

The entertainment by the Colma Protestant Sunday School at Colma Hall, on May 15th, promises an unusual interest of a moral sort.

FOURTH OF JULY AT THE NORTH END

A well attended meeting of the Fourth of July Committee of the North End of San Mateo County was held last night at Ryan's Hall, Vista Grande.

Much enthusiasm prevailed, various committees were appointed. Headquarters were engaged at Knowles Hall, Hillcrest, which will be kept open from now until the day of the celebration. The residents of the Crocker Tract, Hillcrest, Mission Tract, Vista Grande and Colma intend to make the most of this opportunity to boom the North End.

FRATERNAL ORDERS

F. O. E.

Members of South City Aerie No. 1473 are requested to attend the usual monthly initiation ceremony Tuesday evening next. Prominent local business men are candidates for membership. The usual social time will wind up the session.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of this city was held last Wednesday evening.

Meeting was called to order by Chas. Robinson District Clerk. Those present were Trustees John J. Kelly and Chas. Robinson.

The board proceeded to act upon the application of Miss G. H. Gray for the position of teacher.

On motion of Trustee Kelley, seconded by Trustee Robinson the name of the School District was changed from San Bruno to read South San Francisco School District. A regular form of petition will be circulated under the revised school law, that the aim may be accomplished.

Upon motion of Trustee Kelley, the Board adjourned to meet on call.

AUTOMATIC CRADLE SWING.

Odd Invention That Rocks Babies to Sleep by Clockwork.

A baby's swing and cradle that runs by clockwork and is expected to discount any foot power cradle ever made is the invention of Sheldon D. Vanderburgh, a real estate broker of Hastings-on-the-Hudson, N. Y., and an infant daughter of Mr. Hastings now gets her daily nap in this automatic cradle swing.

The baby is inclosed in a sort of hammock so that it cannot come to grief even if it is not watched, and the clock rocks it for a half to three-quarters of an hour with a single winding. Mr. Vanderburgh has three children.

"Frohmanizing the Stage."

In London, and generally under the caption "Stars and Stripes," they have coined a new phrase, "Frohmanizing the stage," apropos of the fact that Charles Frohman at present has attractions in six London theaters. At the Adelphi he is presenting the new labor play, "Strife," by John Galsworthy; at the Haymarket, "Bevis," a new comedy in three acts, by Hubert Henry Davies; at the Garrick "Samson," with Arthur Bourchier in the title role; at the Duke of York's J. M. Barrie's comedy, "What Every Woman Knows;" at the Comedy theater W. Somerset Maugham's comedy, "Penelope," with Miss Marie Tempest in the title role, and at the Hicks theater, "The Dashing Little Duke," with Miss Ellaline Terriss.

A Very Secret Drawer.

"A secret drawer is sometimes very hard to locate in a large cabinet," said a dealer in curios. "I had such a piece of furniture in the store one winter and knew the drawer was there from a reference to it in an old inventory, but in spite of all my efforts I couldn't discover just where it was. I concluded that the spring must be concealed somewhere about the very ornate carving which ornamented the sides, but it escaped my scrutiny until one day when I had a bit of inspiration. Such drawers are usually made of sheet steel both for security and on account of its thinness, and I simply passed a small pocket compass up and down before the carving. At one certain point the needle, just as I had anticipated, was deflected, and I knew I had at last hit on the right spot. I located it within a few inches and then pushed and prodded every projection with the point of a darning needle until something gave way and out jumped the drawer. It was very cleverly masked at the edges by the curves of the pattern, and nobody in the world would suspect its existence. I had hoped that I might find something of value in it, but I was disappointed. It was quite empty."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The End of the World.

London suffered from several earthquake shocks in 1761, and prophecies of the total destruction of the city were rife. The London Chronicle says: "April 5 was the date named for the catastrophe, and for days before the roads from town were thronged with the vehicles of those who were seeking safety in flight in spite of the threat of one of the papers of the day to publish the names of all such cowards. Even the more courageous elected to pass their nights out of doors, Hyde park being the most popular camping ground.

"But nothing ever so got on the nerves of Europe as the coming of the first thousandth year of the Christian era. The churches were thronged, the houses deserted, and all good Christians slept in the open in readiness for that end of the world which was expected to come at the proper date. The end of the world has had many prophecies to its discredit.

"And people who were nervous about Mother Shipton's prophecy—

"And the world to an end shall come
 In eighteen hundred and eighty-one—
 "are still alive and criticising the rhyme
 and the reason."—Chicago News.

WORSHIP THE SHARKS

South Sea Islanders Fear Them as the Abode of Ghosts.

HOLD SOULS OF THEIR DEAD.

The Natives Offer Gifts and Food, Sometimes Human, to Appease the Man Eaters—The Hawaiians Used to Feed Their Dead to the Monsters.

In view of the wide distribution of sharks and their strength and ferocity, qualities which appealed to the savage mind, it is not strange that the cult of shark worship should have arisen. This worship is especially common in the south seas, where sharks are very numerous, says the Detroit Free Press.

In the Solomon islands living sacred objects are chiefly sharks, alligators, snakes, etc. Sharks are in all these islands very often thought to be the abode of ghosts, as natives will at times before their death announce that they will appear as sharks. Afterward any shark remarkable for size or color which is observed to haunt a certain shore or rock is taken to be some one's ghost, and the name of the deceased is given to it.

Such a one was Sautahimatawa at Ulawa, a dreaded man eater, to which offerings of porpoise teeth were made. At Saa certain food, such as coconuts from certain trees, is reserved to feed such a ghost shark, and there are certain men of whom it is known that after death they will be in sharks. These, therefore, are allowed to eat such food in the sacred place. In Saa and Ulawa if a sacred shark had attempted to seize a man and he had escaped the people would be so much afraid of the shark's anger that they would throw the man back in the sea to be drowned. These sharks also were thought to aid in catching the bonito, for taking which supernatural power was necessary.

In the Banks islands a shark may be a tangaroa, a sort of familiar spirit or the abode of one. Some years ago Manurwar, son of Mala, the chief man in Vanua Lava, had such a shark. He had given money to a Manwo man to send it to him. It was very tame and would come up to him when he went down to the beach at Nawono and follow along in the surf as he walked along the shore. In the New Hebrides some men have the power, the natives believe, of changing themselves into sharks.

The Samoan native believed that his gods appeared in some visible incarnation, and the particular thing in which it was in the habit of appearing was to him an object of veneration. Many worshiped the shark in this way, and while they would freely partake of the gods of others they felt that death would be the penalty should they eat their own god. The god was supposed to avenge the insult by taking up his abode in the offender's body and causing to generate there the very thing which he had eaten until it produced death. In one village Taema, the war god, was present in a bundle of shark's teeth. These curiosities were done up in a piece of native cloth and consulted before going to battle. If the bundle felt heavy that was a bad omen, but if light the sign was good, and off they went to the fight.

In the Fiji islands, Viavia and other gods claim the shark as their abode, and their devotees must never eat of that fish, for if they did they would be partaking of the god himself.

It was in the Hawaiian islands, however, that shark worship reached its greatest perfection. Its worship was quite common on the islands, each one having a special shark as his ancestral god. The worship of sharks was due largely to the fact that the belief in the transmigration of souls is quite general among the Polynesians, and the Hawaiians would feed their dead to the sharks under the supposition that in this way the soul of the dead would enter the sharks and so animate the latter as to incline them to respect the bodies of the living.

Several of the African coast tribes worship the shark. Three or four times in the year they celebrate the festival of the shark, which is done in this wise: They all row out in their boats to the middle of the river, where they invoke, with the strangest ceremonies, the protection of the great shark. They offer to him poultry and goats in order to satisfy his sacred appetite. But this is nothing. An infant is every year sacrificed to the monster, which has been feted and nourished for the sacrifice from its birth to the age of ten. On the day of the fete it is bound to a post on a sandy point at low water. As the tide rises the child may utter cries of terror, but they are of no avail, as it is abandoned to the waves, and the sharks soon arrive to finish its agony and thus permit it to enter into heaven.

The Polynesians have an ancient tale treating of the flight of Ina, the daughter of Vaitoringa and Ngaetna, to the sacred isle. After the sole dumped her at the edge of the breakers with such disastrous results to itself from the angry princess the latter summoned the shark and by its help succeeded in reaching the sacred island. Feeling thirsty during the voyage, Ina cracked a coconut on the shark's forehead, and this accounts for the bump now found on the forehead of all sharks.

LINCOLN'S STORY.

It Contained a Lesson For the Man With a Grievance.

An old farmer once called at the White House and complained that the Union soldiers in passing his farm had helped themselves not only to hay, but to his horse, and he hoped the president would urge the proper officer to consider his claim immediately.

"Why, my dear sir," replied Mr. Lincoln blandly, "I couldn't think of such a thing. If I consider individual cases I should find work enough for twenty presidents."

The caller urged his needs persistently, and Mr. Lincoln declined good naturedly.

"But," said the persevering sufferer, "couldn't you just give me a line to Colonel — about it—just one line?"

"Ha, ha, ha!" responded the president, crossing his legs. "That reminds me of old Jack Chase out in Illinois."

"You see, Jack—I knew him like a brother—used to be a lumberman on the Illinois river, and he was steady and sober and the best craftsman on the stream. It was quite a trick to take the logs over the rapids, but he was skillful with a raft and always kept her straight in the channel. Finally a steamer was put on, and Jack—he's dead now, poor fellow!—was made captain of it. He always used to take the wheel going through the rapids. One day when the boat was plunging and wallowing along the boiling current and Jack's utmost vigilance was being exercised to keep it in the narrow channel a boy pulled his coat tail and hailed him with:

"Say, Mr. Captain, I wish you would just stop your boat a minute! I've lost my apple overboard!"

"Think that story over, my friend, and see if you can find any lesson in it."

A LOVER OF PEACE.

He Had Decided Opinions on the Way to Abolish War.

"Men talk sincerely," once said W. T. Stead, the great apostle of peace, "about loving one another, about the universal brotherhood of man, and in the same breath they assert that it is right to burn and maim and kill in war. They are not so logical as a young colored recruit who served in the Philippines. This young man at the end of his initial engagement was hauled before his captain.

"So you ran at the first fire, did you?" said the captain scornfully.

"Yes, sah, an I'd 'a run sooner, sah, if I'd knowed it wuz comin'."

"Have you no regard for your reputation, Calhoun?"

"Mah reputation hain't nuffin to me, sah, 'longside o' mah life."

"The captain smiled and twirled his mustache. Here was an intelligent young man. He'd talk him over to the right point of view.

"Even if you should lose your life, Calhoun," he said, "you'd have the satisfaction of knowing that you had died for your country."

"Wot satisfaction could dat be to me, sah, when de power o' feelin' it wuz gone?"

"Then patriotism means nothing to you?"

"Nffin, sah. I wouldn't put mah life in de scales agin any government dat eber existed, for no government could replace de loss o' me."

"Calhoun, if all soldiers were like you the world's governments would all go to pieces."

"On de contrary, sah, dey'd last forever, for, if all soldiers wuz like me, den dere couldn't neber be no fightin'."

The Last Straw.

"Every time I give a party," cried the discouraged hostess, "I vow I'll never give another, but I've decided this time. No more for me. It's the red cheeked man. I don't mind their taking up the rugs and dancing until after midnight and getting dispossession notices served on me the next morning, or leaving cigarette ashes all over the place for me to clean up, or scattering the Welsh rabbit from one end of the flat to the other, but when the red cheeked man sits on my piano keys when he gives an imitation of something or somebody and I have to pay \$4 to have my piano tuned the next day that'll be about all."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

"Widow" and "window" are very much alike.

"Well, and what's the answer?"

"When I get near either I always look out."—Boston Transcript.

NEW GUINEA COURTSHIP.

All the Proposals of Marriage Are Made by Women.

Away off in the strange island of New Guinea it is leap year all the time in one important sense, for out there all the proposals of marriage are made by the women. It is considered beneath the dignity of the male inhabitants of New Guinea to even notice a woman, and consequently the women perforce must notice the men and must start any idea of weddings, etc.

So when the island belle of New Guinea becomes in love she promptly sends a piece of string to the sister of the lucky man. If he has no sister she sends it to his mother or to some female relative—this because the man and his male relatives are assumed to be above taking any steps toward acquiring a wife.

Then the sister says to the man involved: "Brother, I have news. So-and-so is in love with you." If inclined to matrimony the man makes an engagement to meet the enamored lady. When they meet it is alone, and they either decide to wed or drop the entire proposition at once. There is no courting, for the man is not allowed, theoretically at least, to waste any time on a woman—not even enough time to make love to the lady or to allow her to make love to him.

The betrothal is announced, and the engaged man in New Guinea is branded on the back with charcoal, but the woman's mark of engagement to wed is actually cut into her skin and is never allowed to completely vanish. If either one decides to break the engagement nothing can be done by the offended party.

If the girl decides that, after all, she sent the little piece of string by mistake the man is apt, however, to catch her some time alone and beat her. If the man jilts the woman her relatives often hunt him up and administer a sound drubbing. Blood, however, is seldom shed, as the breaking of these women made engagements is not deemed a very serious matter.

Though the women propose the weddings in New Guinea, the condition of the wife is miserable and unjust in the extreme. The girl is merely the property and slave of the husband. He can beat her unrebuked and even kill her with impunity if she incurs his enmity.—Atlanta Constitution.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE.

Her Summary Method of Snapping Official Red Tape.

When Florence Nightingale came, instantly a new intelligence, instinct with pity, adame with energy, fertile with womanly invention, swept through the Scutari hospital. Clumsy male devices were dismissed, almost with a gesture, into space. Dirt became a crime, fresh air and clean linen, sweet food and soft hands a piety. A great kitchen was organized which provided well cooked food for a thousand men. Washing was a lost art in the hospital, but this band of women created, as with a breath, a great laundry, and a strange cleanliness crept along the walls and the beds of the hospital. In their warfare with disease and pain these women showed a resolution as high as the men of their race showed against the gray coated battalions of Inkerman or in the frozen trenches before Sebastopol. Muddle headed male routine was swept ruthlessly aside.

If the commissariat failed to supply requisites, Florence Nightingale, who had great funds at her disposal, instantly provided them herself, and the heavy footed officials found the swift feet of these women outrunning them in every path of help and pity. Only one flash of anger is reported to have broken the serene calm which served as a mask for the steel-like and resolute will of Florence Nightingale. Some stores had arrived from England; sick men were languishing for them. But routine required that they should be inspected by a board before being issued, and the board, moving with heavy footed slowness, had not completed its work when night fell. The stores were, therefore, with official phlegm, locked up and their use denied to the sick. Between the needs of hundreds of sick men and the comforts they required was the locked door, the symbol of red tape. Florence Nightingale called a couple of orderlies, walked to the door and quietly ordered them to burst it open and the stores to be distributed!—Cornhill Magazine.

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THE SMART DRUMMER.

There Was Something Coming to Him, and He Got It.

"Gentlemen," said the drummer of druggists' sundries as he looked around on the half dozen men who were asking him for the latest story, "I believe I have felt about 400 different feelings in my life, and the balmiest one of all was the feeling that I had something coming to me and would get it if I stayed on the road long enough."

"And have you got it?" was asked.

"I have. I got it coming into Chicago. I was very comfortable in my Pullman when a young man came along and told me a pitiful story and wanted me to buy his diamond ring. The game is older than the hills, and I was on in a minute—bogus story and bogus diamond; willing to sell me a \$200 ring for \$30. I asked him where the green spot was in my eye, and while I was pluming myself the man in the other part of the section pulled out three tens and pocketed the ring. Did I look down upon him with pity and contempt? Did I smile? Did I grin? Did I ask him where his guardian was? Oh, yes—oh, yes, and he spoke up and claimed that the stones were diamonds and the ring well worth 200 plunks. It nettled me to see the ass so cocksure and to hear him say that of course I was no judge of diamonds, and I put up \$50 that he'd been done for. The conductor held the money, and when we got into town we made for a jewelry store. We took in four of 'em before I laid down. Same story in each place—ring worth \$200."

"And you lost your \$50?"

"Slick as slick."

"And there was a game in it?"

"Of course, you camel. Seller and buyer were confederates, and they probably worked the scheme six days a week. If I'd got ready to buy, some excuse would have been made to head me off. Yes, gentlemen. I had some thing coming to me, and I got it, and I feel relieved."—Baltimore American.

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Patten, the "King of the Pit"

Marvelous Ability at Forecasting of the Expert Chicago Speculator and Manipulator of the Big Wheat Corner. Man of Force Who Has the "Cornering" Habit—An Instance of His Generosity

By WALTON WILLIAMS.

JAMES A. PATTEN, the man who has engineered the corner in wheat, denies that it is a corner at all. Despite this bland assurance, it looks very much like a corner to the brokers and shorts who are going into bankruptcy, to the bakers who are closing their shops and to the bread eating public that is paying more money for a smaller loaf. Patten, who passes the collection plate in church and who as mayor of Evanston, Ill., shut the town so tight that one could not buy a drink even in a drug store without a doctor's prescription, said many months ago that wheat would go high this year, backed his judgment with his dollars and now is making more millions than anybody can accurately figure. Whether the deal is a corner or a whole room, such a speculation on futures of a necessary of life would be impossible in France, Germany and most other European countries. Only in this land of the free is one man permitted in such glaring fashion to take fabulous fortunes from the pockets of the poor. Patten may deny that he has a corner on wheat, but he cannot deny that he is getting a corner on millions of other people's money—people who are compelled to pay the prices he asks or starve.

Secretary Wilson's Roast.

With this speculator the markets are a science. He has experts in every

1000 honest men who give us our ngures and leave it to the public to determine which tells the truth."

Patten has been described as having eyes like a pig and an underjaw like that of a bulldog. When he speaks he growls, but every syllable is distinct, in spite of the menace of his tone. The pitch of his voice is always low, persons fifteen or twenty feet away from him are likely to jump when they are first conscious of the rasp in it.

Patten's Evanston Palace.

No celebrity is allowed to visit Evanston without being driven out to look at least at the outside of the Patten home. It is quite worth looking at. It has more architecture to the square inch than any other house in the world except Senator W. A. Clark's home on Fifth avenue in New York.

The Patten disposition runs to cornering things. Once the fat John W. Gates started out to corner corn in 1901. About the time the Armours decided to accumulate to themselves the sole right to deal in wheat and Cudahy felt impelled to shove everybody else out of the pork market Patten found them all so busy that they had not time to watch the corn market. He bought all the corn in the world and a good deal more before they woke up. Their own corners faded away in the excitement caused by the roars and the squeals of Patten's victims, who finally went to court and had their contracts declared void on

about August uttering loud cries of rage because "Patten had sold out on him." Patten's answer was characteristic. He said: "I was afraid some of those fellows were selling us real cotton instead of contracts to deliver. Of course I couldn't stand for that."

Insults William Nelson Cromwell.

In the Fish-Harriman fight for the control of the Illinois Central Patten had the right to vote some 787 shares. Neither side knew which way he meant to vote, but the Harriman people thought his natural inclinations were in their favor. Patten went to a stockholders' meeting and aggressively and loudly insulted William Nelson Cromwell. The Fish crowd rejoiced. That night the proxies were delivered to Harriman. Said Patten, "It takes an awful jar to make some people see a point."

The present wheat corner is due to Patten's marvelous ability at forecasting. His machinery for gathering crop information has been at work for years. Early in April this year he smilingly announced that his opinion that the world's supply of wheat was inadequate had been verified and that he guessed the price of bread was going up. A lot of gambling millionaires who had bet against Patten's fall opinions lost about \$4,000,000. He stands to win \$10,000,000 more.

Patten's corner in corn is still remembered in Chicago—not exactly with pleasure, but still remembered. At that historic festival a wild, shrieking mass of men surged over every inch of the long quadrangle of the wheat pit. The din as the jangled chorus rose up from the mob struggling for foothold echoed far down LaSalle street.

To the packed galleries of spectators the scene was like an immense gridiron where a hundred football teams were simultaneously trying to "buck the center." Hour after hour the pandemonium increased.

"Give 76 for corn!" A bellow could be heard above the uproar, but no answering voice or raised hand came in answer, only more din.

"Give 78 for 1,000,000 bushels!" The hoarse cry only fed the flame of frenzy, and successive bids of 79 and 80 seemed but to increase the fury of every broker on the floor in the despairing effort to buy.

As the price gradually ascended it seemed that nowhere in the whole country was there a single bushel of corn for sale. Finally, toward the closing hour, as the anxiety of the "shorts" grew greater, a disheveled broker raised himself up out of the fighting mob and, waving a clinched fist, yelled, "Eighty-one!" There was stillness for the one instant it took the clamoring seekers of grain to realize what that meant. Then in greater volume ascended the roar as from one end of the room to the other came the chorus, "Eighty-one, eighty-one, eighty-one!"

But it beat futilely against the high gray walls.

The market in corn was "cornered." Outside in the rotunda a heavy set, twinkling eyed man sat in a chair, tilted back against a column beside the fruit stand of "Apple Mary," calmly and joyously sucking an orange. Curious ones from the galleries filtered down to gaze at him from a distance, while excited brokers rushed out to tell him of the soaring prices.

It was the new "king of the pit." Outwardly James A. Patten was the least interested man in all Chicago in what was transpiring on the board of trade.

"It's gone to 81, Jim!" cried a trader, while a crowd of friends surrounded the "great bull."

A Patten Story.

"What's gone to 81? Oh, corn. Why, I wasn't thinking of corn at all. I was laughing at something that happened out at my church. I'm president of the men's club, you know, and also pass the collection plate."

"A florid and pompous little fellow was sitting in one of the seats, and he had a dollar in his hand. He looked up and saw me with the plate. Like lightning he swished the dollar back into his pocket and drew out a pickel."

"What's the use in giving it to you, Jim Patten? I heard him say, sotto voce. 'It'll all go for chewing gum or corn.'"

While Armour was the heaviest loser in that corn corner, probably to the extent of \$2,000,000, J. Brandt Walker, the quondam "Napoleon of Wall street," was also caught in the squeeze, it is estimated, to close on a million. Walker won \$5,000,000 in New York during the stock panic and returned to his home in Chicago to increase his fortune with a fier on the board of trade. He was with Armour when the packer smashed Patten a year before and followed in his wake in the later deal.

In the early days of the campaign he sent Patten tantalizing notes, such as: Dear Jim—I am selling you corn at 84 and am going to buy it back at 40. It's peaches and cream for me. Keep it up. Yours, WALKER.

Dear Jim—This corn proposition is about the softest thing I ever struck. I am

away to the good already. Yours, J. B. W. Dear Jim—I've got you on corn. You are soft. WALKER. But Patten eventually "stood him on his head" and shook some of his Wall street winnings out of his pockets.

Saving a Victim.

While relentless with the "big fellows" who are relentless with him, many a small trader has been rescued from disaster through Jim Patten's generosity. During the boisterous close of the great corn squeeze, as Patten sat out in the rotunda, an ashen faced man with perspiration streaming down his face staggered out of the pit.

"God, Jim," he gasped, "I'm done for! Every cent gone! They closed me out at 80. The folks!"

"Why, man," said Patten, "what right have you to be in the grain pit? You're too small a dealer to be in a place like this. Say, how much have you lost?"

"I'm in \$25,000. Everything gone in a moment."

"Well, go home and rest up. Come around in the morning, and I'll take up your accounts."

"That's a funny sort of man to be engineering a big corn corner," said a spectator close by. "He doesn't seem to mind giving it back so long as he has the fun of getting it."

Giving it back? Why, they'll tell you Jim Patten doesn't care a rap for money. That's why he wears a \$25 suits and tells funny stories. Patten is the sort of man who likes to have friends. He doesn't care whether they have got a quarter or a million, so long as they are honest, sociable and full of fun—good, clean fun in which the good wife may participate.

It was not so many years ago that he was plowing on the old home farm at Sandwich, Ill. That's what makes him such a forceful figure in the pit—he knows the game intimately from the growing of the crops to the shipping, marketing and manipulation. Later he "tended store" and then made a quick grab at education, studying at Northwestern university in Evanston.

He is a man physically about fifty years old, nearly six feet tall, with 200 pounds of hard flesh and muscle and a pink complexion that denotes good health.

PAJAMA TEA PARTY.

Oakland (Cal.) Beauties Glad to Discard Skirts For Sake of Comfort.

"The pajama tea" is the latest sensation of Oakland, Cal. Eleven young women, members of the Sotowa club, in silken and satin pajamas, were entertained in this most original way at the home of Miss Effie Thatcher the other afternoon. The eleven young women are pretty and popular. News of the affair has been spread broadcast, and there is a buzzing among the social elect. Some condemn the pajama tea, and others seize it as a child would a new plaything.

It all happened when Miss Thatcher invited the ten girls to her home to commemorate the fifth anniversary of their club. Over the telephone Miss Thatcher asked that each one come attired in pajamas.

"Oh, that's jolly!" was the general assent. "Won't we have a dandy time? I always did hate skirts."

So in pajamas they came. There were tea and cards and dancing and music.

"I simply decided to follow out the Japanese idea of entertaining," explained the hostess. "When I told my plan to the girls they were delighted with it. Pajamas are much more comfortable than party gowns."

LIBERTY BELL PROPOSITION.

To Stop Its Crack and Make Bell of as Good Sound as in 1776.

Shall the crack in the Liberty bell be repaired? Representatives of an old world firm of bellmakers have laid before Mayor Reyburn of Philadelphia a proposition to make the repairs so that once again the people may hear peals from the bell which announced to a new nation its independence. They have a secret process, but are willing to enter bonds in any amount and to do the work without taking the relic from Independence hall.

Mayor Reyburn is anxious that the people shall express their opinion, but his personal view is that there may be a general sentiment against repairs. Said he the other day: "There is a historic sentiment connected with the crack itself. The bell cracked at the funeral services of Chief Justice Marshall, and every schoolboy who has seen a picture of the bell knows of that crack. Still, it might be of interest to the people to hear the Liberty bell peal exactly as it did in 1776, and the bellmakers assure me that the repairs they will make will not make the slightest difference in the tone of the bell."

SULTAN'S BODYGUARD

Turkish Ruler's Chief Protector of an American Sailor.

HAS TWICE SAVED HIS LIFE.

Admiral R. D. Bucknam, Commander of Imperial Navy, Will Do It Again if Necessary—How He Saved His Own Life and His Coolness Under Danger.

Turkey's sultan, whom the Young Turks openly declare is the most treacherous of the "traitors" whom they are determined to fight to the death, depends upon an American to save his life. His hopes in his extremity are pinned upon Admiral Ransford D. Bucknam, who now commands the imperial navy, has charge of naval construction and of the imperial yacht and is the naval adviser and aid-de-camp of Abdul Hamid II.

Twice, it is said, he has saved the life of the sultan, and he is prepared to fight for it again if necessary.

More than once has Bucknam Pasha himself, as he is known in Turkey, been the object of attack by would be assassins. Guarded as he is in Constantinople, his enemies have found little chance to slay him, but once in Kiel, while returning from a banquet, his foes nearly succeeded. Five of them attacked him with daggers, and only his expert knowledge of boxing saved his life. He felled three of them and was repelling the attacks of the others single handed when help arrived.

Despite the honors that have been heaped upon him, Bucknam Pasha remains at heart an American. He laughs at the thought of danger to himself. His coolness under danger was displayed four years ago when an attempt was made to kill the sultan with a bomb as he was about to leave the Hamidieh mosque, a thousand yards from the palace. The bomb exploded prematurely and killed eighty mounted men and their horses and wounded many more.

Bucknam Pasha was uninjured, and he walked beside the sultan's carriage with drawn sword as it threaded its way among the dead back to the palace, threatening in a loud voice to decapitate any unauthorized person who approached.

Bucknam Pasha has entire charge of the building of the Turkish navy. Every dollar of the \$20,000,000 set aside for this purpose which has thus far been expended has been paid out under his direction.

Upon the breast of his gold embroidered uniform gleams the star of the Order of Osmanieh conferred upon him by the sultan. The same imperial hands have conferred a distinguished service medal, which Bucknam Pasha wears upon his left breast. Massive gold epaulets adorn his shoulders. A gold braided fez and a jewel studded sword complete the dress of the man upon whose naval wisdom and astuteness the sultan now leans. At court the American ranks with the nobles, and he is more often consulted.

Bucknam Pasha has been in Turkey only six years. He was born in Nova Scotia thirty-eight years ago. His father was lost at sea, and when his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bucknam of Worcester, Mass., gave him the choice of farm life or going to sea at fourteen he chose the sea as cabin boy in a merchant ship.

He was twice shipwrecked. Afterward he met John D. Rockefeller on a lake passenger steamer, and the latter made him captain of a Standard Oil whaleback, where he was known as the "kid captain."

In 1902 he accepted a position with the Cramps of Philadelphia, and when the Turkish warship Medjidia was completed in 1903 he was commissioned to sail her to the Bosphorus. There he met the sultan, who was so impressed with his ability that he offered him the vice admiralty of the empire.

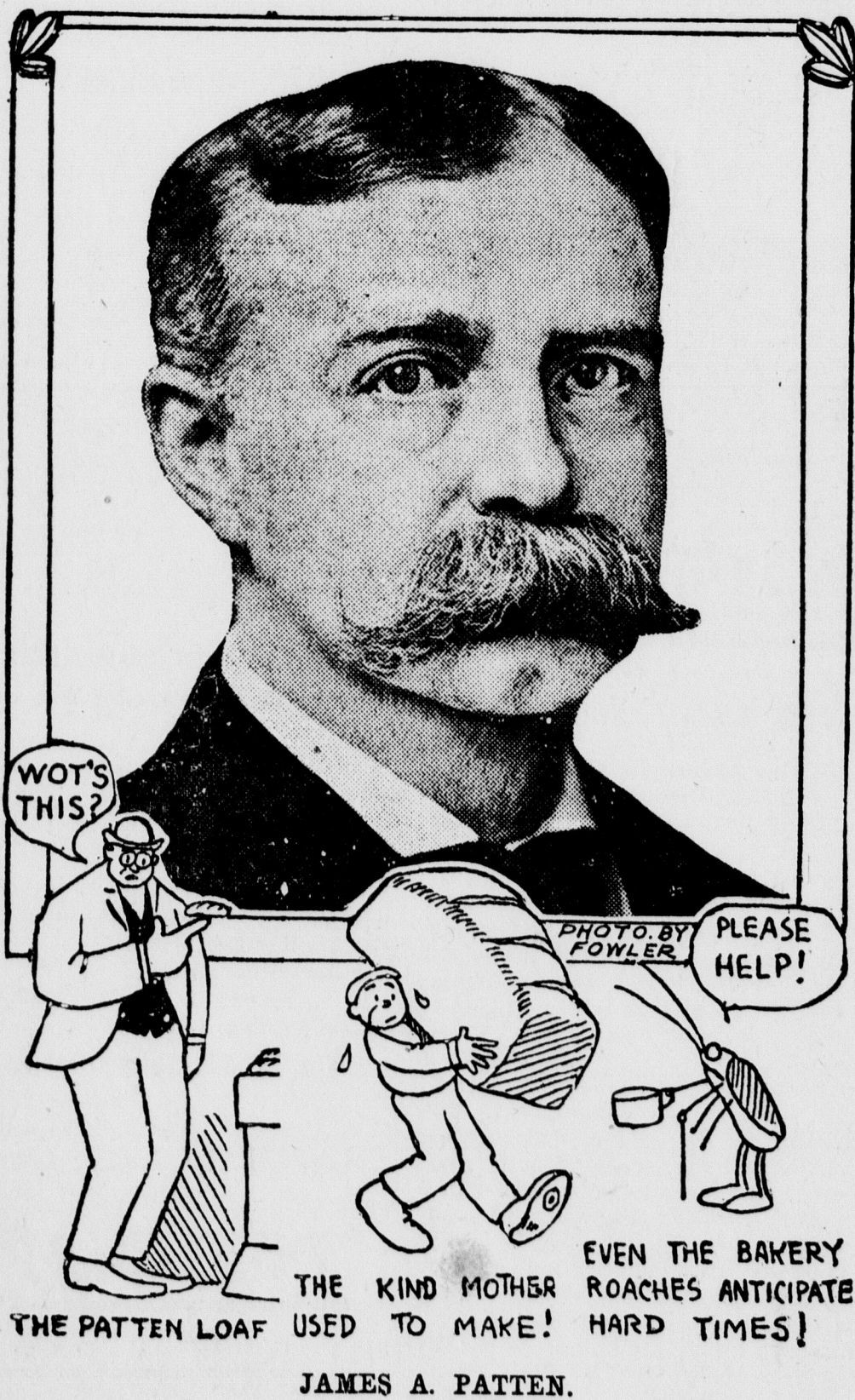
Bucknam Pasha afterward went to San Francisco and married Miss Rose Thayer, who is now with him in the Ottoman capital. His salary is princely.

WAFING OF KISSES.

Professor Starr Tells of Graceful Method Adopted by Mexicans.

Professor Frederick Starr of the University of Chicago, who attracted attention recently by a prophecy that former President Roosevelt would never return alive from Africa, has again come into public notice, this time as an exponent of the fine art of "kiss throwing."

"Young men of this country do not know how to throw a kiss gracefully," he says in a lecture prepared for students on "Mexico Today." "It takes a young Mexican to perform the act gracefully. He brings the tips of his fingers together, touches them gently with his lips and, spreading his hand out as he makes the throw, wafts five sweet kisses to his ladylove by five different routes."



JAMES A. PATTEN.

wheat raising country that report to him constantly. He says that through these channels he knows more about the wheat crop than the government. It was this statement which drew out Secretary of Agriculture Wilson's famous reply:

"Mr. Patten is operating or speculating in wheat for his own profit. Through his operations and speculations he seeks to benefit no one but himself. His whole object is to make money. On the other hand, this department is animated with the sole idea of benefiting the country at large. Our information as to wheat is gathered by 150,000 earnest, honest citizens all over the land—men who have no personal interest at stake and who serve without compensation of any kind. They do this from purely unselfish and patriotic motives and with the sole desire to furnish us with the truth. I will set the statements of Mr. Patten against those of the 150,

the ground or public policy.

Worked by a Book Agent.

A book agent fared forth to Chicago a few years ago and made an independent study of the Patten family. Then he persuaded Mrs. Patten that one set of Theodore Roosevelt's works was worth \$22,000 because it was the only set in the world ever offered for sale at that price. He got away with it. But when he offered a set of Shakespeare in the poet's own handwriting for about the same price a vague suspicion took shape in the plunger's mind that all was not as it should be. For a year he devoted himself to the pleasing job of getting the book agent into a prison cell.

The things Patten did to Gates are never mentioned by Gates in public because the police won't allow his version. Late in 1908 Patten went in with Plunger Livermore on a cotton corner. Mr. Livermore was observed

BIG BOWLING TOURNEY

Gigantic Task Involved In Preparing For National Contest.

FINEST ALLEYS TO BE BUILT.

Builders Will Have Only Six Days and Nights to Construct Twenty-four. Will Use 226,000 Feet of Lumber and 254,000 Nails in the Work.

Few persons who are interested in the coming tournament of the National Bowling association have any idea of the vast amount of work involved in getting the big Madison Square Garden at New York in shape for the 4,000 or more bowlers from all over the United States who are to compete there for the large purses. Not many of the champion bowlers even can make a rough guess at the task that is to be undertaken.

From the first the problem has been a difficult one to solve. Experts on the building of bowling alleys studied and figured for weeks on the question before it was solved, and even now, although the committee in charge of the preparations is confident that everything will be in shipshape order on May 24, the opening day of the tournament, many who profess to know shake their heads negatively and declare that this will not be possible.

The whole trouble lay in the fact that the builders of the alleys will have only six days and nights in which to do the work. In that time they must put down twenty-four alleys that will be so perfect that no competitor will have the slightest cause for complaint.

The contract for the work has been given to a firm in New York city which has assured the committee that the alleys will be the finest ever built and that no bowler will be able to declare that he failed to roll a high score or win his match because of the alleys. Should any easy spares be missed, they say, it will be the fault of the bowler and not because the alleys "run off" or "carry over."

Because the rent of the Madison Square Garden, is \$1,000 a night, and the National Bowling association will be compelled to pay that amount even while building the alleys, it became necessary to limit the time for the work to not more than six days. This, it was admitted, would necessitate the building of twenty-four alleys in faster time than even less than half that number were ever built in the history of bowling. The proposal was put up to the officials of the New York firm, and they without hesitation accepted the contract.

Almost immediately after receiving the contract arrangements for the enormous work were begun. Vast supplies had to be ordered, so that the work on the alleys could be started exactly on time, and, equally important, the contractors had to engage men to do the work.

Contrary to the general belief, ordinary carpenters are not competent to build bowling alleys. They must be built by men skilled in the work—men who make a business of building alleys alone. There is not a continual demand for this class of labor, and consequently men of this kind are few and scattered about the United States. So in order to prepare for this the New York firm has ordered about 100 of their men, who are located in the various cities of the United States, to plan their work so as to be able to come to New York city in time to go to work in the Garden.

The figures of the materials to be used in building the alleys have been given out and are as follows:

In the first place it will be necessary to use at least 200,000 lineal feet of yellow pine and maple for the beds of the alleys, 20,000 board feet of maple for the divisions, return ways and kickbacks, and 6,000 board feet of spruce and hemlock for the foundations.

For holding all this together 11,100 screws and 254,000 nails will be used. The castings on the return ways will require 7,500 pounds of nicked steel, and the pit cushions will be made from 4,000 pounds of leather. For finishing the beds two barrels of shellac mixed with one barrel of alcohol will be used. Then the beds will be covered with enamel polish, which will require at least one barrel.

Trial Trip of the George Washington. The trial trip of the North German Lloyd's new steamship George Washington, the largest German vessel afloat, will take place over a measured course on June 2. The American ambassador to Germany, Dr. David Jayne Hill, who christened the George Washington at the time of the launching, has signified his intention to be on board during the trial trip.

He who has a good seat should not leave it.—Manuel.

DIME NOVELS FOR THE GRIP.

New York's Mayor Tried 'Em First, Then Passed 'Em on to Friend.

Mayor George B. McClellan of New York city has a new cure for the grip which he is recommending to his friends. The discovery is a strong testimonial for the medicinal properties of the Nick Carter dime novels.

The mayor had been suffering from an attack of the grip for several days, but remained at his desk. He found that the combination of the malady and his work necessitated radical measures for mental relaxation and hit upon the idea of spending a few hours each day with a volume of Nick Carter. He found the experiment to surpass his fondest expectations and told his friends about it.

An interesting incident followed.

John G. Milburn, who is a close friend of the mayor, was chatting with him the other day when he remarked: "I had a startling experience with Mr. Leary today. He has been suffering from the grip for some time, but has insisted on remaining at work. I went into his office to inquire about his health, and what was my surprise to find on his desk several volumes of those cheap dime novels written by a person named Carter—a most startling habit, your honor."

"Yes," replied the mayor, "I sent 'em to him."

PYGMIES IN CHINA.

Dr. Geil Tells of Race He Found Near China's Great Wall.

Dr. William Edgar Geil of Doylestown, Pa., who traced the great Chinese wall its entire length, a distance of 1,250 miles, 200 of which had never before been mapped, returned recently to New York on the steamship Minnehaha.

There are ten great walls, apart from the famous one, the explorer says. He discovered a race of Chinese pygmies to the northward of the wall, where they have dwelt for twenty centuries in the mountains. Seven hundred miles of the wall are built along the line of greatest resistance, Dr. Geil says. He found 20,000 great towers, each capable of holding 100 men. These towers are about 100 yards apart.

A million men worked on the wall, and the unlucky workman who left a crevice, however tiny, was buried alive in the structure. The pygmies couldn't stand the hard work in 210 B. C. and ran into the wilds to become savages and maniacs. Some of the hairy creatures are not more than three feet tall.

Dr. Geil says that in 2,000 cities and 100,000 towns officers are drilling the inhabitants in the use of arms. China is preparing to put an army of 4,000,000 men in the field.

INTERNATIONAL MONEY.

New Travelers' Checks Adopted by American Bankers' Association.

The first specimens of the new "international money," or travelers' checks, of the American Bankers' association were issued the other day, and travelers from the United States will soon be presenting the orders in Europe. The checks are the result of years of deliberation on the part of the American Bankers' association, and a special committee worked on the proposition for many months.

The checks are handsomely engraved on scientifically protected paper which, it is held, cannot be counterfeited. There are four denominations—\$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100, tinted in blue, green, straw and orange respectively. As each check bears on its face the acceptance of the New York banking institution on which it is drawn, the party who cashes it takes no risk, even though he may not know the signature of the issuing bank. An identification signature at the time of purchase and a counter signature at the time of cashing it complete the chain of protecting devices. Arrangements have been made for their acceptance at face value by bankers and hotels in all parts of the world.

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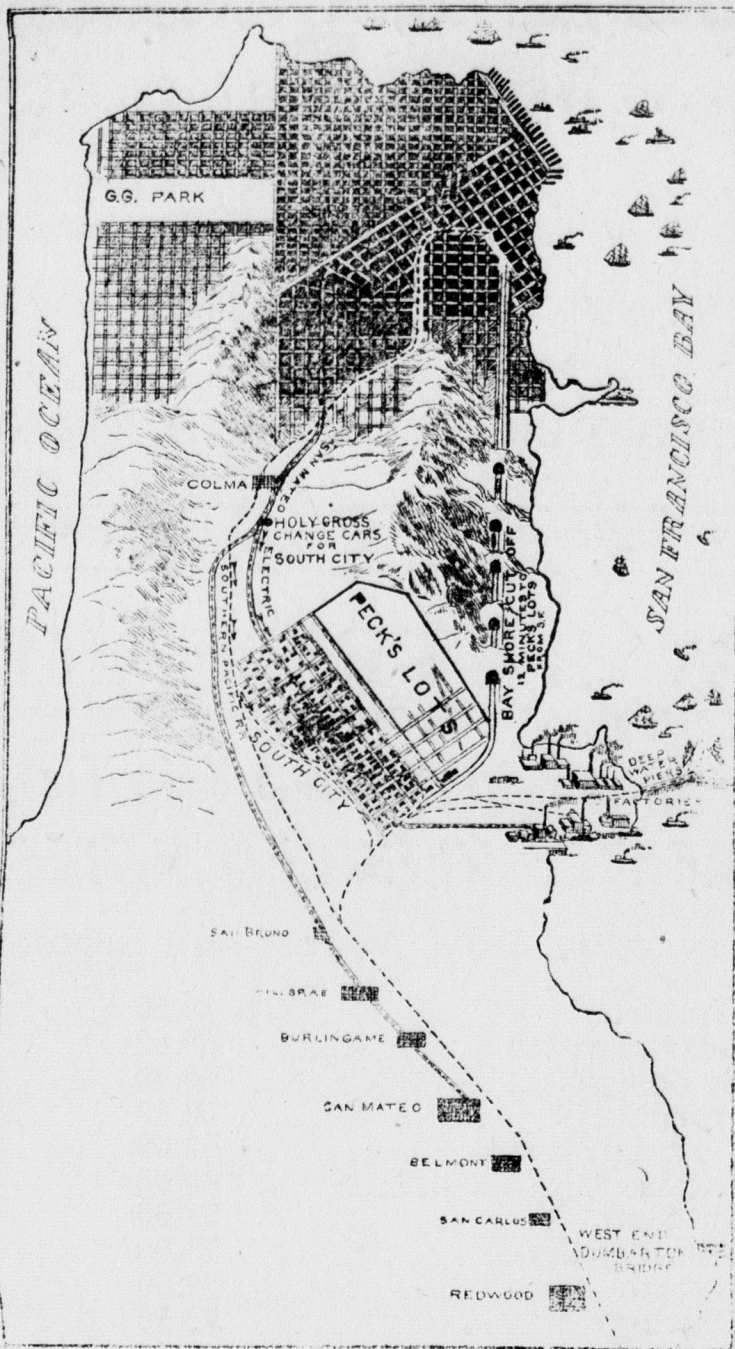
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A handsomely-bound volume of the poems of Longfellow, Holmes, Whittier, or Lowell (as may be desired), will be presented by us to the first person, who on or before **noon, Friday, May 14, 1909**, shall arrange, or compile from the following letters, and mail to us, at our office, 789 Market Street, San Francisco, the sentence constituting the perpendicular line showing the correct title of **Acrostic No. 13**, which will be published in this space in **The Enterprise** of Saturday, May 15, 1909.

S. P. N. E. E. U. O. H. A. V.
E. Y. K. S. C. E. S. T. O. L.

As a suggestion intended to aid those undertaking the interesting task we would state that the sentence, when correctly formed, will constitute a highly important question or interrogation.

Address communications, carefully sealed, to

PECK & GARRETT

P.S.—The time of receipt by us of each communication will be noted at once on the envelope and the earliest successful competitor will receive the prize, his or her name to be published in **The Enterprise**.

REGULAR SESSION BOARD SUPERVISORS

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J. H. Coleman, be authorized and instructed to enter into said contract for and on behalf of said county; and be it further

"Resolved, that said contract heretofore entered into and executed, be and the same is hereby ratified."

A resolution prepared by Supervisor McEvoy ordering District Attorney Bullock to immediately commence suit against County Treasurer Chamberlain to recover money alleged to be due as interest at 2 per cent on county money that had been deposited in banks since the passage of an Act in March, 1907, making such collection legal, was presented by Supervisor Casey.

The District Attorney stated that the law did not apply to the case in point.

The vote on the resolution resulted as follows—Ayes—McEvoy and Casey. Noes—Coleman, Francis and Blackburn.

Under-Sheriff Bartlett asked that the Sheriff's office be provided with an automobile. A committee of three was appointed to look into the matter, as follows—Supervisors Casey, Francis and Blackburn.

ALL SHOULD ATTEND THIS MEETING

California is proud of her natural resources, and the average Californian has an idea that they are inexhaustible, California minerals, forests, land and water seem so superabundant that such a thing as caring for them to the average unthinking person is an absurdity. But the note of alarm has been sounded, by men well versed in conditions, and California must look to the conservation of her resources or she will be in the condition of several eastern States and foreign countries.

In order that a complete understand-

ing of the conditions may be had the eleventh semi-annual meeting of the counties committee of The California Promotion Committee, which is to be held at Hotel Del Monte to-day, will be devoted to the discussion of the theme "Conservation in California." Men of national repute, high in the councils of the government, will be there to tell of their observations, and to give their suggestions. Every Californian who is desirous of having California maintain her prestige, should attend this meeting and learn of conditions and methods necessary to preserve the State's greatness. Railroads have granted a fare and a third rate for the round trip from all California points, and the hotel has made special rates of \$5.00, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$4.50 a day to those attending the meeting. There will be a banquet in the evening, under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce of Monterey and the Board of Trade of Pacific Grove, and on Sunday a program of entertainment under the care of these organizations will be carried out, including visits to all historic points of interest and a mussel bake at Pacific Grove, trips around the two cities and visits to the Marine Gardens in glass bottomed boats.

A special rate from points south of Castroville has been made whereby those attending the meeting may make a trip to San Francisco following the meeting, at a rate of a fare and a third for the round trip from their homes.

INJUNCTION DISMISSED

The injunction against the Board of Supervisors at the instance of George Lowens of Colma to restrain that body from appointing an additional Justice of the Peace in the First Township was dismissed by Superior Judge Buck last Saturday at Redwood City.

Geo. L. Perham, Baden Crossing, near this city, has a few thousand tender young broilers for sale at a very moderate price. An early call will give you a choice.

An advertisement in THE ENTERPRISE brings results—quick.

THE WOODCRAFT ENTERTAINMENT A GREAT SUCCESS

The entertainment given by the woodcraft organizations of this city at Metropolitan Hall last Saturday evening was a great success. The hall was crowded with an appreciative audience. Those who took part in the entertainment received deserved applause during the evening. During the rendering of the farce comedy the audience was in a constant roar of laughter. The songs by Miss Corabelle Veit and Master Herbert Woodman and the piano and cornet solos by Messrs. Ernest Laegenbach and A. A. Walsh of San Bruno were loudly endorsed. The Maypole dance by nine little girls was splendidly executed.

Dancing followed the entertainment for the balance of the night. The complete program follows:

Charlier Orchestra. Song, Herbert Woodman, Miss Lillie Muller, Accompanist; Piano Solo, "La Norma" Ernest Langenbach; Maypole Dance by following young Misses: Lolita Kelly (May Queen), Emma Johnston, Velma Pike, Tilda Bissett, Agnes Carby, Mabel Newman, Irene Hawes, Helen Carmody, Mildred Foley; Song, Miss Corabelle Veit, Miss Josephine Sands, Accompanist; Laughable Farce Comedy, "Hiring a Theatrical Troupe", Robert Bonneville, W. J. Smith; Paddy Flynn, Dr. J. C. McGovern; Yon Yonson, Pete Lind; Lucullus Booth, Adolph Jacobs; Ballet, Attendants and Retinue, introducing Col. P. Lind's Rough Riders and the Famous Trick Mule (Rider, Master Carl V. Hultberg).

PROMOTION COMMITTEE PROGRESS BULLETIN

California is sending her first delicious fruit forward. Cherries in box lots being shipped. Reports received by The California Promotion Committee

are to the effect that cherries will be a fair crop, but lighter than last year; apricots will be light in early varieties with promise of better crop in late, contrary to early indications; peaches promise an abundance of all shipping varieties; Bartlett pears give good promise; grapes are well advanced and an abundant crop is anticipated; prunes give promise of good supply as do plums. In quality fruit promises to be above the average.

Heavy crop and large size of fruit is the report that comes from citrus fruit districts. Crop movement is greater than at this period last year. Large quantities of lemons are being held waiting favorable market conditions.

Colonist travel to California during the past two months has been steady with marked increase over that of last year. Inquiries from home seekers, both at headquarters of the Committee and at its various agencies, show marked increase. Tourist travel promises to be above the average during the coming summer, as California's advantages as an all-year resort are becoming better known.

Reports from all cities and towns of the State show constantly improving business conditions, there being a noticeable increase in bank clearings, and strengthening of wholesale trade. Building activity is also reported from all points.

MEETING OF WOMEN'S IMPROVEMENT CLUB

An enthusiastic meeting of the Women's Improvement Club was held at Guild Hall last Wednesday afternoon.

The question of giving a minstrel entertainment under the auspices of the club was thoroughly discussed and it was decided to give such an entertainment.

A meeting of the club will be held at Metropolitan Hall next Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock to discuss ways and means of purchasing a water sprinkling cart for the use of the city.

It is especially urged that all members with their friends attend.

THIS CITY MAY SOON GET ITS ROAD MONEY

The following financial statement of the condition of the First Township Road fund, prepared by County Auditor Underhill, is of considerable interest to this community at this time, as there is a possibility that soon the Supervisors will order the sum of \$4227.60 returned to this city as a rebate from road taxes paid by property owners in the incorporated limits of this city to the county during the present fiscal year.

The report is as follows:	
Expended to May 1, 1909	
(regular)	\$10,523.83
Expended to May 1, 1909	
(special)	7,023.50
Total	\$17,547.39
Apportionment to Regular Fund.	
Balance in Treasury	\$5,869.30
Cash from second installment	
taxes	5,694.60
Cash from S. P. R. R. taxes	576.25
Total	\$12,140.15
Apportionment to Special Fund.	
Balance in Treasury	\$4,105.44
Cash from second installment	
taxes	3,796.40
Cash from S. P. R. R. taxes	384.15
Total	\$8,285.99

Assessed valuation in South
San Francisco

San Francisco

Received from first installment taxes, 1909 (regular) \$16,441.77

Received from first installment taxes, 1909 (special) 11,161.15

Total

NOTICE

I will not be responsible for debts contracted by my wife or children after April 1, 1909.

Ap. 3-1m MAX STURMER, Colma

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